अस्पताल में ठहरने और प्रयोज्य मदों पर होने वाला खर्च शामिल है रक्त के लिए कोई शुल्क नहीं हैं । सरकार को इस तथ्य की जानकारी हैं कि निम्न वर्ग के लोग इस बीमारी से अधिक प्रभावित होते हैं। सरकार इस सुविधा को और अस्पतालों में उपलब्ध करने का प्रयास कर रही है।

Bridge on NH-5

2214. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on National Highway No. 5 there is a bridge at Ganaparam between Guntur and Chalklurpeta;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this bridge is too narrow and too old, and is proving to be a great bottleneck in the smooth and orderly flow of traffic on this National Highway; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to take early steps to build a new and bigger bridge for the smooth flow of traffic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The bridge constructed in 1945 has a narrow carriageway resulting in some inconvenience to the free flow of traffic.

(c) Reconstruction of the bridge is included in the 7th Plan Programme.

Bridge on National Highway No. 9

2215. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on National Highway No. 9 there is a bridge on the Kesari River near Nandigama village which had broken down some time back;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this bridge has not yet been reconstructed, and as a result, the smooth flow of traffic on this National Highway is greatly hampered; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are taking to rebuild this bridge and by when is it expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Soon after the collapse of one span of the existing bridge, a bailey bridging unit was erected for use of cars and buses and a bed level diversion was constructed by the side of the existing bridge for plying of heavy trucks. Tenders for the work have been invited by the Government of Andhra Pradesh with a completion time of three years from the date of award.

Setting up of a Container Terminal at Calcutta

2216. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a Container Terminal at Calcutta; and

(b) if so, at what stage this proposal stands at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) A project for the development of container handling facilities has been sanctioned by the Government in March, 1985. The contract for civil work was awarded in December, 1985.

Sahitya Akademi Awards

2217. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the date when the Sahitya Akademi awards, which is conferred on eminent writers, was instituted;